UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

In Re: PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY

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LITIGATION

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

: MDL NO. 1456

: Judge Patti B. Saris

STATE OF MONTANA v. ABBOTT LABORATORIES, INC. et al., Civil Action No. 02-12084-PBS,

: Master File No. 01-CV-12257-PBS

and

STATE OF NEVADA v. AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORP. et al., Civil Action No. 02-12086-PBS

SCHEDULING ORDER

WHEREAS, plaintiffs Montana and Nevada each filed an action in their respective state courts on February 25, 2002 and March 7, 2002, respectively;

WHEREAS, such actions were removed to federal court in April 2002;

WHEREAS, the above captioned actions were transferred to this Court by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation in October 2002;

WHEREAS, no responsive pleadings have been filed in the Montana action;

WHEREAS, plaintiffs intend to file amended complaints on or before August 1, 2003;

WHEREAS, defendants anticipate that they will move to dismiss the amended complaints;

WHEREAS, judicial economy would be best served if defendants are relieved from their obligation to answer the current Montana complaint;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- 1. Defendants are relieved from their obligation to respond to the current Montana complaint.
 - 2. Plaintiffs shall file amended complaints no later than August 1, 2003.
- 3. Defendants shall file responsive pleadings or otherwise move against the amended complaints by September 15, 2003.
- 4. In the event that defendants move to dismiss the amended complaints, defendants shall file one consolidated memorandum not to exceed forty (40) pages in total, addressing issues common to all defendants. In addition to the consolidated memorandum, any defendant may file an individual supporting memorandum not to exceed five (5) pages addressing issues specific to that defendant.
- Plaintiffs shall file and serve their opposition to any responsive motion(s) by CCCCCC 1C, 3Cc3

 October 30, 2003. Plaintiffs' opposition to all responsive motions shall not exceed sixty (60) payer play pages in total.
- 6. Defendants shall file and serve any replies by November 14, 2003. Any consolidated reply on issues common to all defendants shall not exceed twenty (20) pages, and any replies by individual defendants on issues specific to that defendant may not exceed three (3) pages.
- 7. Plaintiffs shall file and serve any surreply by December 1, 2003. Plaintiffs' surreply shall not exceed forty (40) pages in total.

Dated: July ___, 2003

Patti B. Saris
United States District Judge

A HEAVLING ON MOTIONS TO DISMISS IS SET FOR DECEMBER 3, 2003, AT 2100 P.M.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on July 16, 2003, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Joint Motion for Entry of Scheduling Order was served on all counsel of record by electronic service pursuant to Paragraph 11 of Case Management Order No. 2 by sending a copy to Verilaw Technologies for posting and notification to all parties.

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